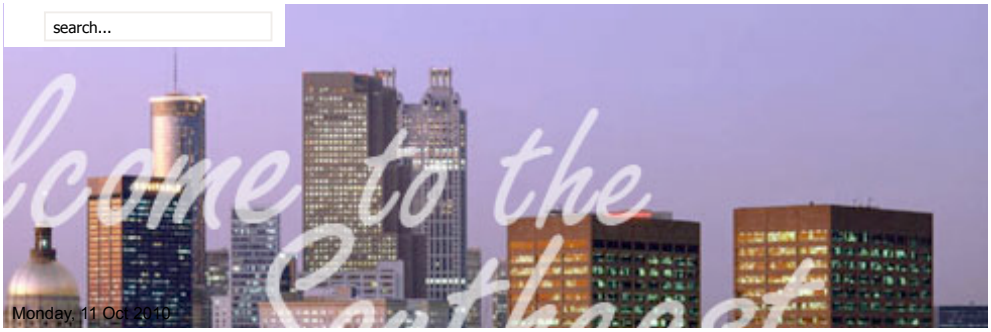

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Celebrations - September

> **Michelle Calderon,** a member of **Central Congregational UCC,** and a chaplain at Grady Hospital in Atlanta, has been recommended to an ecclesiastical council for consideration for ordination.

> **Southern Region Conference Ministers Gather for Annual Meeting at the Franklinton Center in Whitaker, NC**
The annual gathering of the Southern Regional Conference Ministers of the UCC took place at the Franklinton Center on September 13-14. The Conference Ministers of the Southern, Southeast, Florida, and South Central Conferences met with the General Mister and President Geoffrey Black and his staff.

Each conference had an opportunity to report on its current activities and priorities, and together they reviewed the work that they do together. They welcomed Vertie Powers, who is serving ¼ time as conference minister of the Southern Conference as it prepares for a search for a new conference minister. The Florida Conference will serve as the host of the 28th General Synod of the UCC in 2011, and reported on their progress. The South Central Conference hosted the Regional Youth Event in New Orleans this summer. There were strong delegations from Florida and South Central, and 8-9 youth form the Southeast. The conferences are exploring ways in which they can collaborate more fully in support of the ministries of the United Church of Christ.

> **Community Congregational UCC** has called **Rev. Paul A. Gourdine** to serve as pastor. A graduate of ITC Gammon Seminary in Atlanta, and ordained by the United Methodist Church, Rev. Gourdine last serve Dexter Avenue UMC in Montgomery. Deeply involved in community ministries around Montgomery, Rev. Gourdine bring a new and vital spirit to the ministries of the church.
Link to Community Congregational UCC's web site.

> On September 19th, **Howard Congregational UCC, Nashville,** celebrated the ordination and installation of their pastor **Christophe Ringer.** Christophe has served them as a licensed minister while completing seminary and pursuing a PhD at Vanderbilt Divinity School. Participating in the service and representing the Association and conference were Barbara Everett and Tim Downs. Each of the Nashville UCC congregations were represented; Brookmeade Congregational UCC, First United UCC, and Holy Trinity Community UCC. Also present were representatives from Pleasant Hill Community UCC. Christophe is pictured on left with his wife Kimberly Peeler Ringer.

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All-staff day helps UCC national offices staff find new ways to collaborate
More than 100 national staff members from Cleveland and other U.S. locations gathered today at the UCC's national headquarters for worship, breakout discussions and report-backs relating to the tasks and transitions involved in their work.

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